

## Letter from Mabel Hubbard Bell to Alexander Graham Bell, undated, with transcript

Letter from Mrs. Alexander Graham Bell to Dr. Alexander Graham Bell. M.G.B. 1336  
Nineteenth Street, (June 5, 1893) My dear Alec:

I am not proud of my record as a correspondent, but it is more difficult than you can imagine for me to write. Mamma cannot do anything for her own entertainment, so that I do not like to sit down and do anything that shuts her out, and it has happened that there has been nobody but me when I have been at home. This hasn't been often for what with going to the dentist's every day etc., I have been here very little. This is why I am telegraphing asking to stay until Friday. There are odds and ends to do that will keep me busy tomorrow and Tuesday, and then if I try to get home Saturday I cannot stop in Boston, and there are one or two things I should like to do there. By leaving Friday I get two more days here, all of Saturday in Boston and then a chance of rest on Sunday in St. Johns. Leaving that town Sunday night I would be due in Baddeck Monday night. I hope that you will be disappointed in not seeing me quite as soon as you expected, but I do cling so to my mother and dread leaving her more each year. Nothing else would keep me here another day after Elsie's school closed, but my Mother, my Mother.

Uncle Theo. left yesterday morning, and though they were as quiet as possible still there is a difference in their not being here, and I want a few more days alone with Mamma and Papa. It is sufficiently warm here, but I do not mind, it is nothing like what it was in Boston last year.

I am very much interested indeed in your flying machine. 2 At last you have come upon something I can understand, I wonder whether the four wings have solved the problem.

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I did not understand that your machine had been lifted from its socket last year. I did not know that it had left the stand at all.

We are all very much pleased with your trough idea. Papa thinks it very well worth trying. The supports do not look very strong or permanent to me, could you not make something stronger.

I think I will close now and write again tomorrow, I am too tired for more.

Lovingly, Mabel.